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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action mailed January 29, 2003, in the above-identified application.

This Amendment is believed to be timely submitted. It is believed that no fee is due; however, in the event a fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

Amendments

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:Please cancel claims 19, 17-21, 54, 55, and 58-66.Please amend claims 10 and 14 as follows:

10. (Amended) An adhesive article comprising:

(a) a liner having a first side and a second side;

(b) an adhesive having a first surface and a second surface, wherein the second

surface of the adhesive contacts the first side of the liner, wherein the article has been exposed to